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Fire Update

Hamilton, MT; July 26, 2007. --- Initial attack forces continue to work on the Saddle Gulch Fire, which started yesterday on the West Fork Ranger District northwest of Nez Perce Peak. The fire is under 3 ½ acres in size, and is staffed with eight smokejumpers and ten district personnel supported by helicopter bucket work.

Little else has changed since Wednesday. We continue to patrol recent starts that have been controlled but not declared out, and we continue to monitor the eleven wildland fire use fires that are burning in the Frank Church – River of No Return, Anaconda-Pintlar and Selway Bitterroot Wilderness Areas.

Current information regarding these fires and any new starts can be found at the Bitterroot National Forest's Dispatcher's website, http://63.196.254.151/WildWeb/WCMT-BRC.htm.